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Occupation: Realtor

Length of Residency in Alaska: Lifelong Alaskan

Alaskan Communities Lived in:

Anchorage, Moose Pass, and Seward

Military:

8 years in the Army including 1 year in South Korea, 3 years in Italy, 2 years in Afghanistan, and 2 years in Fayetteville.

Bronze Star with Valor device, Afghanistan Campaign Medal with Campaign Star, Combat Action Badge, Parachutist Badge, and Global war on Terrorism Service Medal.

Special Interests:

Family, fishing, hiking

Position Statement:

Our Legislature is out of touch with working Alaskans

When you and I don't get our work done, we don't get paid – or worse. When our legislators don't get the job done, THEY rack up millions of dollars in extra pay and compensation that is added to OUR tab. With every additional "special session" it becomes more and more clear, the only special interest group that does not have a seat at the table is everyday working people. We deserve representatives that we can trust to act in our best interests.

We need to clean up our budget while we still can

We need to transition to levels of government services and spending that reflect our needs and not the wants of special interests. Decades of blowing through money as fast as it comes in has left us in a difficult fiscal position. The sooner we make the correction, the less it will sting.

People that steal cars and/or shoot at police officers should go to prison for a very long time

I almost can't believe that I have to say this, but I do. Everyone I know can rattle off a list of friends family and neighbors that have had their car stolen, business vandalized, or home burglarized. We have many excellent hard working police officers, but even when they catch a criminal red handed they are back out on the street re-offending sometimes within 24 hours.

